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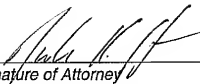
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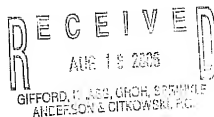
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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/US05/006371		INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 28 February 2005		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 30 August 2004	
TITLE OF INVENTION SIMULTANEOUS DETECTION OF METABOLIC ENZYME ACTIVITY AND METABOLITE LEVELS					
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Blas Cerda					
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